It has been brought to my attention that Sinclair Broadcasting is forcing their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary called "Stolen Honor" days before the election. This is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation. They currently reach an estimated 24% of the homes in the U.S.

Sinclair stations use public airwaves free of charge, and are required by law to serve the public interest. One-sided programs, like "Stolen Honor", do not serve the public interest and are harmful to our democracy. This is completely wrong.

When large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for their bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. Thank you.